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Disposal of lands belonging to the Chintaladevi farm.

* 87 *Q.*—Khan Bahadur YAHYA ALI SAHIB Bahadur: Will the hon. the Minister for Public Works be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether the lands and buildings pertaining to the Chintaladevi farm in Nellore district have been disposed of; and

(*b*) if so, at what cost; and, if not, why not?

A.—(*a*) No.

(*b*) The farm lands have been leased out temporarily and the inspection bungalow handed over to the Public Works Department. The final disposal of the land and buildings has been deferred as the offers received for the land were not satisfactory.

Mr. A. RANGANATHA MUDALIYAR:—"May I know what arrangement is under contemplation better than what has been existing till now?"

The hon. Mr. P. T. RAJAN:—"If people are in a position to offer better terms, the matter will be considered."

Mr. A. RANGANATHA MUDALIYAR:—"Have the Government published their intention that they are open to better offers?"

The hon. Mr. P. T. RAJAN:—"I believe on two occasions offers were made to Government but could not be accepted."

Mr. A. RANGANATHA MUDALIYAR:—"After rejecting these offers may I know whether the Government are still open to receive offers and have made known the fact to the public?"

The hon. Mr. P. T. RAJAN:—"The Government is always prepared to receive offers, Sir."

Civil Veterinary Department

Veterinary Officers employed in the Salem district.

* 88 *Q.*—Mr. K. A. NACHIYAPPA GOUNDER: Will the hon. the Minister for Public Works be pleased to state—

(*a*) how many veterinary hospitals are working in Salem district and in which places;

(*b*) how many touring Veterinary Officers are employed in that district and which the headquarter of each of such officers is;

(*c*) what the minimum number of days is a touring Veterinary Officer has to tour in a month; by whom their diaries are checked and their work inspected; and

(*d*) how many veterinary hospitals and touring Veterinary Officers are there in each district?

A.—(*a*) Four. Veterinary hospital at Salem and Veterinary dispensaries at Namakkal, Tiruchengodu and Krishnagiri.

(*b*) Four; Salem, Namakkal, Dharmapuri and Hosur. The Assistant in charge of the Veterinary dispensary at Tiruchengodu is also touring in that taluk.

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(c) The Assistant should tour for at least 20 days in a month. The District Veterinary Officer checks his diary, and inspects his work.

(d) The attention of the hon. Member is invited to Appendices III and IV to the Administration Report of the Madras Civil Veterinary Department.

Co-operation

Principles guiding the selection of Sub-Deputy Registrars of Co-operative Societies.

* 89 *Q.*—Mr. M. Devadasan: Will the hon. the Minister for Public Works be pleased to state—

(a) whether there was a selection of Sub-Deputy Registrars of Co-operative Societies;

(b) if so, when; and

(c) what the principle is of the selection of the candidates for the posts?

A.—(a) & (b) The hon. Member presumably refers to selection by the Madras Services Commission of candidates for direct recruitment as Sub-Deputy Registrars of Co-operative Societies. The recent selection was made by the Commission early in 1933.

(c) 50 per cent of the permanent vacancies in the grade of Sub-Deputy Registrars are filled up by direct recruitment and the remaining 50 per cent by promotion from the class of senior inspectors. The selection is made subject to the terms and conditions specified in the rules relating to the service and in accordance with rule 5 of general rules for Subordinate Services relating to communal rotation.

Selection of Sub-Deputy Registrars of Co-operative Societies from among the Depressed Class Christians.

* 90 *Q.*—Mr. M. Devadasan: Will the hon. the Minister for Public Works be pleased to state—

(a) how many candidates applied for the recent selection of Sub-Deputy Registrars of Co-operative Societies;

(b) how many of them were Christians;

(c) how many of them were depressed classes;

(d) who were the candidates chosen;

(e) whether any members of the depressed classes were chosen for the appointments;

(f) whether there were depressed class Christians among the candidates; and

(g) if so, why they were not selected?